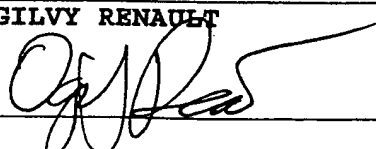


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... Raman amplification to increase the maximum amount of pump power that can be delivered to the ROPA. According to the prior art, high power at the ROPA pump wavelength,  $\lambda_p$ , is launched directly into the fiber and the maximum launch power is limited by the onset of pump depletion by Raman noise oscillations due to the high Raman gain at  $\sim (\lambda_p + 100)$  nm. In preferred embodiments of the present invention, a 'primary' pump source of wavelength shorter than  $\lambda_p$  is launched into the delivery fiber along with two or more significantly lower-power 'seed' sources, among which is included one at  $\lambda_p$ . The wavelength and power of the seed source(s) are chosen such that, when combined with the high-power primary source, a series,  $n$ , where  $n$  is of Raman conversions within the fiber ultimately leads to the development of high power at  $\lambda_p$ . In another embodiment, one or more of the seed sources at wavelengths shorter than  $\lambda_p$  are replaced by reflecting means that return, into the fiber, backward-travelling amplified spontaneous Raman scattered light resulting from high power in the fiber at a wavelength one Raman shift below the particular seed wavelength. In either case, the high power at  $\lambda_p$  is developed over a distributed length of the fiber, reaching its maximum some distance into the fiber and exceeding the maximum power possible at that point with the prior art.